MINUTES OF THE JOINT EXECUTIVE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 11, 2009, 5:00 P. M.

Room 30, House Building, State Capitol Complex

Members Present: Rep. Ron Bigelow, Co-Chair

Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard, Co-Chair Sen. Peter C. Knudson, Vice Chair Rep. Bradley G. Last, Vice Chair

Sen. Gregory S. Bell

Rep. David Clark, Speaker

Rep. Brad L. Dee Rep. Kevin S. Garn Rep. James R. Gowans Sen. Scott K. Jenkins Sen. Patricia W. Jones Sen. Sheldon L. Killpack Rep. David Litvack

Rep. Rebecca D. Lockhart

Sen. Karen Mayne

Rep. Carol Spackman Moss

Sen. Luz Robles Sen. Ross I. Romero Rep. Jennifer M. Seelig

Sen. Michael G. Waddoups, President

Staff Present: Jonathan Ball, Legislative Fiscal Analyst

Steven Allred, Deputy Director Greta Rodebush, Secretary Karen C. Allred, Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

1. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes

Committee Co-Chair Hillyard called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. There were no minutes to approve.

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2. **Budget Actions**

MOTION: Co-Chair Bigelow moved to approve the motions for appropriations subcommittees' budgets, intent language, and fees, as shown in the blue packet entitled "Executive Appropriations Committee" and dated today, March 11, 2009.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Co-Chair Bigelow moved to approve additional one-time funding for the items shown on the yellow sheet entitled "Additional Funding Items" and dated today, March 11, 2009, with the following changes: strike: "Folk Arts - \$50,000"; add: "Department of Community and Culture - \$85,000"; add: "Children's Center - \$50,000"; and add: "Civic and Character Education - \$50,000."

Sen. Romero asked if the Folk Arts program will be supported by the \$85,000 for the Department of Community and Culture (DCC). Co-Chair Bigelow responded that it would not. While the funding will be directed in that general area, the intent was to give DCC more time and flexibility in making adjustments within line items.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Co-Chair Bigelow moved to authorize legislative staff to prepare and number "Appropriations Adjustments" as an Executive Appropriations Committee bill. Staff shall include in this bill the actions of the Executive Appropriations Committee today and funding for other bills that have passed with a fiscal impact. Legislative staff is authorized to make adjustments between funding sources and fiscal years in order to balance the overall budget. In consultation with the co-chairs of the Executive Appropriations committee, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst may make any technical changes necessary.

Rep. Litvack asked if the motion to appropriate \$945,000 in one-time General Funds to the Utah State Hospital had been included in any of the motions. Co-Chair Hillyard responded that it had not.

The motion passed unanimously.

Co-Chair Bigelow commented that the fiscal note bills that have passed in the House and Senate thus far, and those passed tonight, will be included in the Bill of Bills. Fiscal note bills that pass tomorrow will not be included in the Bill of Bills. Staff will need to draft the bill tonight.

Co-Chair Hillyard expressed appreciation to the Legislative Fiscal Analyst and the Governor's Office for all of their hard work.

MOTION: Co-Chair Bigelow moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Minutes reported by Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary.